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Photo shows Mrs McCrum taking the wreath to the sea
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Obama urges Americans to remember countrymen at war

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama made a Memorial Day call to Americans Monday not to forget their countrymen still fighting in Afghanistan even as the United States winds down its long war there.

In a somber speech at Arlington National Cemetery, Obama evoked by name some of those recently buried at the military cemetery -- a young

Black Hawk helicopter pilot, a humble combat medic, a Marine remembered for bringing his troops home safely.

"Fewer Americans are making the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan and that is progress for which I am profoundly grateful. This time next year we will mark the final Memorial Day of our war in Afghanistan," Obama said.

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The final night of Soul Beach Music Festival was steaming hot with NE-YO and Elle Varner



Elle Varner

The beach at Surfside was filled to capacity for the final night of the Soul Beach Music Festival 2013, which delivered an overdose of soul with star performer Elle Varner. The sexy, soulful singer may very well walk



NE-YO

away with a BET Best Female R&B/POP Artist Award in June, or not, but she certainly captured the heart of the audience on Sunday night. In perfect counterpoint were the smooth dance moves of NE-YO and his

troupe. The audience chanted his name as he took to the stage, eager to see some of the famous dancing he did in films such as "Save the Last Dance 2," and "Stomp the Yard;" they were not disappointed.

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Mary Joan Foundation honors dr. Wassenaar



On May 22, during the Viva La Donna Day closing ceremony at the Renaissance Convention Center, the Mary Joan Foundation and more than 200 cancer survivors and invited guests honored Dr. Henk Wassenaar, who

this month will retire to enjoy a much deserved rest.

Dr. Wassenaar, originally from Delft, the Netherlands, has been an internist oncologist at the Horacio Oduber Hospital in Aruba since the end of 2005. Prior to that Dr

Shepers would travel from Curacao once a week to treat cancer patients here. Now, after 8 years, Aruba has two oncologists who have their hands full, treating numerous cancer patients.

During his 8 years here, Dr Wassenaar did his utmost to treat his patients well. He sought to co-exist with his patients, and because he knows Papiamentu, English and Spanish languages, his patients always felt at ease in his care.

He regularly visited his patients and guided them during their treatment. He does his job with devotion and demonstrated great compassion when a patient could not be saved. Every day at 6:00 a.m. sharp, he was at his office ready to receive patients, and enjoys a very good relationship with his colleagues, secretary and nurses

Dr Wassenaar is a very active and social person. He likes to have his friends around him; he and his wife Sandra would always welcome visitors to their home to share a meal, a bottle of wine, some piano playing and a good cigar. Everyone who knows him is saddened by his retirement, and express their appreciation for his great patience and comforting demeanor while under his care. during consult.

Mary Joan Foundation, in name of its management and clients, presented Dr Wassenaar with a beautiful gift in gratitude for his years of collaboration. A few of his patients also expressed words of praise for his treatment.

Dr. Wassenaar, thank you for the good work and cooperation; your patients and colleagues wish you all the best during your retirement.

Obama urges Americans to remember countrymen at war

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"But even as we turn a page on a decade of conflict, even as we look forward, let us never forget as we gather here today that our nation is still at war," he said.

Nearly 12 years after the September 11, 2001 attacks that launched the United States into its longest war, about 66,000 US troops are still deployed in Afghanistan.

Obama has said that 34,000 will come home this year, and most of the remainder by the end of 2014, although a small residual force is expected to stay behind to train and support Afghan security forces.

The US death toll has climbed to 2,228 -- about half the number of US service

members killed in Iraq, according to the website icasualties.com, which tracks those statistics.

In his speech, Obama touched on the growing gulf in American society between the relatively small number of Americans who have borne the brunt of the conflict and the larger civilian population.

"Regardless of the reason the truth cannot be ignored today that most Americans are not directly touched by war," Obama said.

"And the consequence is not all Americans may see or fully grasp the depth of sacrifice, the profound costs that are made in our name, right now, every day, as we speak," he said.

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Christina

RBC Royal Bank's 4th edition of ART RULES ARUBA is back with one of its most popular workshops; FASHION. Presented by New York based Fashion Stylist and Editor Christina Madry,

Giving students a chance to learn from a professional whom has seen everything from New York Fashion Week to Haute Couture exhibitions in Paris, life long student of the business of fashion, from design and construction, to creative marketing and advertising, Christina Madry is getting ready for the job.

Christina attended Hampton University, in Virginia where she earned her B.S.C in Marketing.

Upon graduation she moved to New York City to work in buying and merchandising before becoming a freelancer as a Stylist, working for Lauryn Hill, L'Oreal and Harper's Bazaar as well as several accredited films and commercial print jobs.

Styling took Christina to Paris where she apprenticed

brought into Macy's Corporate Marketing as an in-house stylist and within a few months was promoted to Photo Producer, casting national ad campaigns for the largest department store in the United States.

Christina moved on to pursuing her lifelong goal of obtaining her M.A. at Central Saint Martins College of Art & Design in London, where such designers as Alexander McQueen, Stella McCartney and Riccardo Tisci (Givenchy) are alumnus. Christina currently runs Modelogs, a site that provides luxury advertising and marketing with access to global talent, utilizing an aggregate business model. She is also the editor of Modelogs Daily, which provides across-the-board news on talent and beauty via social media.

As explained by ARA Producers of the Pancake Gallery, "her story is inspiring for young Aruban's who want to pursue a career in any field in Fashion as Christina brings in so many different perspectives. This is what's going to make this years ARA Fashion class super interesting and strong not to mention offer these kids on Aruba best in the field".

Dividing her time between New York and London Christina is currently preparing the ARA fashion class which will be all about Lights, Camera and Action. Photo shoots, styling, casting, hair & make-up and digital branding. Educating students about different aspects of the creative fashion industry, from Haute Couture, Contemporary Sportswear to Street wear. Students will explore a wide range of fashion houses and cult brands such as the well known Chanel or Ralph Lauren.

It all starts on July 15th in an intensive 2-week program at Abraham de Veer College in San Nicolas. How to apply for this class? Simply go to www.artrulesaruba.com and

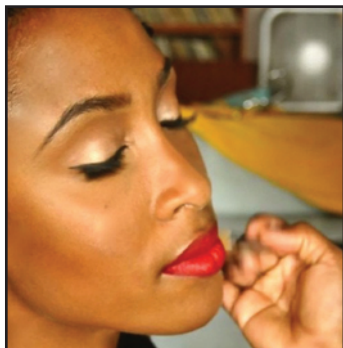


Christina joins a team of international Teachers who are coming to Aruba for a 2 week summer workshop program.

Teaching over 250 young aspiring teens, who want to pursue a study or career in the Arts, Art Rules presents workshops in 9 disciplines: Fashion, Creative Media, DJ, Theater, Dance, Street Art, Rap & Poetry, Music & Performance and this years Bonus Workshop Culinary Arts for the aspiring chef!

With fashion being one of the most popular classes in the program, producers at the Pancake Gallery Foundation decided to bring a teacher from the fashion capitol of the world New York City!

for a Haute Couture Stylist, working with some of the worlds most iconic luxury houses such as Yves Saint Laurent, Vivienne Westwood,



Emanuel Ungaro and Christian LaCroix. Upon her return from Paris, Christina was

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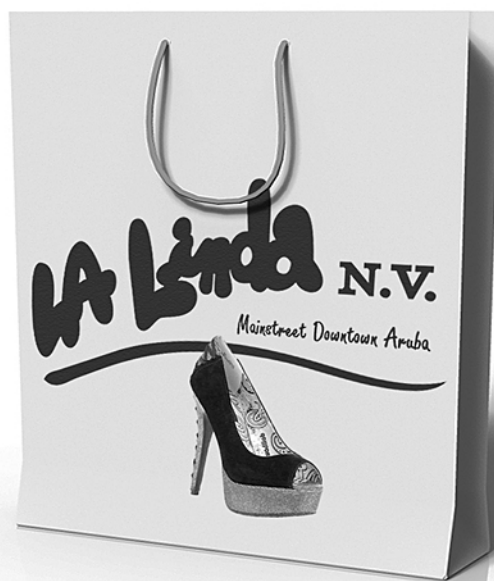


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His familiar face from other films such as "Battle Los Angeles" and "Red Tails," may have been hidden by a low-slung hat, but it did not diminish in anyway the

dynamic, kinetic performance by NE-YO and his crew.

Opening for the headliners was popular local band "Le Groove," which ably warmed up the final tropical night of great soul music. This final concert ended yet another successful SBF festival, providing days and nights of fantastic beach parties, music and comedy concerts, and after parties, while attendees enjoy the best Aruba has to offer.

By Rosalie Klein

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Frank Nini

Dozens of vacationers, islanders and military veterans gathered on the beach of the Costa Linda Resort yesterday morning at 10 AM for the annual observance of U.S. Memorial Day conducted by the small group that many have come to refer to as the "Costa Linda Vets." The quiet, personal ceremony first conducted in 2004 by Frank Nini, Rich Lamonth, Bobby Nadal and Griff McElroy, veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, has grown in scope, with many joining them over the years for this moment of remembrance.

To encourage the concept that the annual ritual honors all who have given their lives in battle for their country, beyond any one country's borders, Frank Nini related a tale of a young Australian soldier

and the song "Waltzing Matilda." This was a change of pace from the annual tradition of reciting the poem "For the Fallen."

Frank explained to the gathering that "Waltzing Matilda" was written in 1895, and as the most famous song to come out of the continent down under, has often been proposed to replace their national anthem. The songwriter Eric Bogle used "Waltzing Matilda" as the inspiration for his own classic song, "The Band Played Waltzing Matilda," which



John Webber

Each stage of his story is punctuated by the band playing "Waltzing Matilda," telling how those who sang the original song, did it in honor of this young soldier, as he would never be dancing to it again.

At this point, "The Detail" was called to attention by Master of Arms, John Webber, USMC, and Mrs. McCrum marched into the water to release a memorial wreath, allowing it to float out to sea.



The detail

tells the story of a soldier who is injured while fighting for Australia at Gallipoli during the First World War.

The song tells the soldier's story from the moment he sets off to battle, through the fighting, getting injured and then returning back to Australia after losing both legs.

"Taps" was played, and "The Detail" was dismissed. The brief, heartfelt ceremony always brings tears to many eyes, as those who lost beloved husbands, sons, fathers and family to war, remember and honor their sacrifice.

By Rosalie Klein



Organizers of the Memorial Service

Downpours to drench the Caribbean this week

A large mass of tropical moisture is set to impact the Caribbean Sea over the next couple of days, bringing consistently active weather to the region. As a result, a majority of the islands' residents are at risk for flooding and other issues provided by such consistent and heavy rainfall.

High pressure over Bermuda is expected to strengthen over the next couple of days, while broad low pressure near Central America will push moisture north out of South America. An area of convergence will be found over the Greater Antilles through the week, resulting in heavy showers and thunderstorms.

Swine flu kills 5, infects 236 in Venezuela

CARACAS -- At least five deaths and 236 infections from swine flu have been reported in Venezuelan, officials said.

Among the five victims, two lived in Zulia, two in Aragua and one in Lara, according to a recently released government report.

Infections scattered across the country, while no cases have been reported in the capital Caracas or surrounding suburbs.

Venezuelan Health Minister Isabel Iturria called on the public to remain calm, saying vaccines would be sent to the most vulnerable sectors.

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New York City launches bike share service

NEW YORK (AFP) - Ten months behind schedule, New York City yesterday launched what aims to be one of the world's biggest bike share programs, following in the path already taken by Paris, Montreal, London and Barcelona.

New Yorkers will now be able to move around on the 6,000 blue "Citi Bikes" distributed among 333 stations in Manhattan and Brooklyn -- the first phase of a network that is supposed to grow to 10,000 bikes at 600 stations.

Light traffic because of the Memorial Day holiday made

for ideal conditions to try out the new subscription-based service on quiet city streets.

About 14,000 New Yorkers have paid an annual \$103 fee entitling them to unlimited rides of 45 minutes. Daily and weekly plans will be available as well from June 2.

Alex Nash, who pedaled into Union Square on his first "Citi bike" ride at 8:30 am, said he was delighted by the experience despite some glitches.

"To start with, it was a little bit difficult to put it back. ... But it's great. I love it," the software engineer said.

The roll-out, which has caused changes in traffic patterns and in the urban landscape, have caused some grumbling among New Yorkers who have seen parking places disappear and complain the bike racks look ugly.

And there is raging debate over the risks posed by a higher degree of road sharing among cars and bikes in a city not known for patience.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who formally launched the program Monday with city transportation commissioner Janette Sadik-Khan, told riders it was

"important to be careful" on the Big Apple's streets.

"It will take some time for walkers and drivers to get accustomed to seeing thousands more bikes on the streets," Bloomberg said.

The initiative operates under the same basic scheme adopted in other cities with bike share programs, with users offered daily, weekly and annual plans at varying rates for unlimited 30 to 45 minute rides. There is a charge for rides that last longer.

The program was supposed to have begun in July 2012 but

it was postponed twice, initially for logistical reasons, and later because some equipment suffered flood damage during Superstorm Sandy in October.

When it reaches full strength, the New York bike share program will be the third largest in the world, after the Chinese tourist hotspot of Hangzhou, which has 60,000 bikes on offer, and Paris, with more than 20,000 cycles.

Many other cities around the world have launched similar initiatives including Berlin, Boston, Brisbane, Melbourne, Mexico City, and Washington.

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Capriles denounces Globivision for refusing to broadcast him live



Kiko Bautista (AFP)

CARACAS -- Television channel Globovision, recently acquired by a group of shareholders considered close to the government of Nicolas Maduro, was denounced by the Venezuelan opposition leader Henrique Capriles, for refusing



Henrique Capriles

to continue broadcasting his live performances.

Also, in recent days, Globovision formalized the closure of programs such as "¡Buenas Noches!" which was conducted by Kiko Bautista, and "Alo, Venezuela," which involved Ismael Garcia, opposition legislator who delivered a controversial recording against the government. Both were dismissed from their duties,

while the spaces in which they worked, have been filled with government broadcasts.

Yesterday Kiko Bautista announces during a press conference that his dismissal was formalized. He also denounced the 'censorship' being imposed on the, so far, only broadcast television critical of the government.

This has aroused anger of Globovision viewers, especially in the social network Twitter.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Wave of Iraq attacks kills 58

BAGHDAD (AFP) - Attacks in the Baghdad area and northern Iraq killed 58 people yesterday, the latest in a wave of violence that has raised fears of a return to sectarian conflict in the country.

The unrest, including bombings in Baghdad that mainly targeted Shiite areas, comes at a time of heightened tensions in Iraq, with the Sunni minority accusing the Shiite-led government of marginalising and targeting their community.

With the new attacks, nearly 1,000 people have been killed in Iraq in less than two months -- a bloody wave of unrest Iraqi authorities have so far failed to stem.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for the latest attacks, but Sunni militants linked to Al-Qaeda often set off coordinated explosions, in particular targeting Shiites whom they regard as apostates, in a bid to foster tensions and undermine confidence in the security forces.

More than a dozen bombings in and around Baghdad killed at least 55 people and wounded 187, security and medical officials said.

Two of the blasts, both involving vehicles rigged with explosives, went off near used car dealerships in Habibiya, destroying dozens of cars as Iraq's national football team were playing Liberia in a friendly at Shaab stadium a short distance away.

After the second explosion, fans watching the match erupted into screams of "La ilaha ila Allah", or "There is no God, but God," an AFP journalist at the stadium said, and many tried to look over the stadium's outer wall to see where the blasts had taken place.

Baghdad has been hit by a number of bombings, often in Shiite areas, so far this month, in which dozens of people have died.

Elsewhere, shootings in the disputed province of Kirkuk killed an anti-Al-Qaeda militiaman and a private generator operator, while a roadside bomb in the main northern city of Mosul left a police colonel dead.

Iraq's autonomous Kurdish region wants to incorporate oil-rich Kirkuk over the federal government's strong objections -- a dispute diplomats and officials say is a major threat to the country's long-term stability.

The areas of northern Iraq where the attacks occurred are home to substantial populations of Sunni Arabs, the community that has for months held demonstrations against alleged government targeting and discrimination.

While the government has made some concessions aimed at placating protesters and Sunnis in general, such as freeing prisoners and raising the salaries of Sunni anti-Al-Qaeda fighters, underlying issues have yet to be addressed.

Fire put out on Royal Caribbean cruise ship, no injuries



A fire broke out aboard a Royal Caribbean cruise ship early yesterday, forcing the more than 2,000 guests aboard to gather at assembly areas while it was extinguished, the cruise line said. The company said the fire broke out at 2:50 am in a mooring area on the third deck of the Grandeur of the Seas as it was enroute to Coco Bay, the Bahamas. The blaze was put out two hours later. "All 2,224 guests and 796 crew have been accounted for, and there have been no injuries of guests or crew reported," the cruise line said. Two guests were treated for fainting, it said. The ship has been diverted to Freeport, the Bahamas for further evaluation but the ship's power, propulsion and communications systems functioned without interruption, Royal Caribbean said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Dutch Heineken kidnapper 'The Nose' arrested for extortion

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Convicted Dutch gangster Willem Holleeder, who gained notoriety for the 1983 kidnapping of a Heineken beer tycoon, was arrested yesterday for extortion in connection with a probe into organised crime, prosecutors said.

Holleeder, six other men and three women were rounded up after more than 450 police and army officers raided homes, businesses, safety deposit boxes and two sport schools in and around Amsterdam in a massive police operation.

"Willem Holleeder was arrested this morning and is suspected of being involved in extortion," public prosecution spokesman Wim de Bruin told AFP.

Known as "The Nose", 54-year-old Holleeder became a household name in the Netherlands for his role in the abduction of beer magnate Freddy Heineken and his driver three decades ago. The two were released after a ransom of 35 million Dutch guilders (15 million euros, \$20 million today) was paid. Most of the money was never recovered.

Holleeder was sentenced to 11 years in 1987 for the kidnapping and released five years later.

The Heineken kidnapping is one of the country's best-known crime sagas and was turned into a movie, with a new version planned for release next year.

Dutch media identified two of the other suspects arrested in yesterday's swoop as professional kickboxer Dick Vrij and well-known underworld figure Danny K.

Vrij and Holleeder made national news last year after being involved in a public brawl on a beer terrace in Amsterdam.

The suspected criminal ring, which prosecutors nicknamed the "Dutch network", was led by two unidentified men aged 48 and 43, both known to have worked with Holleeder, De Bruin said.

During the raids, police confiscated three weapons, 100 luxury watches, armoured cars, computers, documents and several hundred thousand euros in cash, the prosecution said in a statement.

Tenth arrest made in London attack, demo at Downing Street

LONDON (AFP) - Police investigating the grisly murder of a soldier in London by two yesterday, as 1,000 far-right protesters demonstrated near Prime Minister David Cameron's office.

A 50-year-old man, held on suspicion of conspiracy to murder, becomes the tenth person arrested over the hacking to death of 25-year-old Lee Rigby near a barracks in Woolwich on Wednesday.

This includes the two prime suspects, Michael Adebolajo, 28, and Michael Adebawale, 22, who remain under armed guard in separate London hospitals after being shot by police at the murder scene.

The attack by two men spouting Islamist rhetoric has sparked community tensions, with several mosques attacked in recent days and a charity reporting a surge in anti-Muslim incidents.

incidents.

About 1,000 members of the English Defence League (EDL) staged a protest near Cameron's Downing Street office yesterday, waving red and white England flags and banners saying "no surrender".

EDL leader Tommy Robinson addressed the largely male crowd on Whitehall, many of them shouting "Muslim killers off our streets," saying: "They have had their Arab Spring. This is time for the English spring."

The crowd, about half the number who attended a protest in the northern city of Newcastle on Saturday, shouted "coward" as Robinson told them the prime minister was on holiday "because he doesn't care".

Cameron, who is spending a week in Ibiza with his family, last week joined calls by Muslim and Christian leaders for

calm, saying: "We will defeat violent extremism by standing together."

A smaller group staged a counter-demonstration yesterday, a public holiday in Britain, holding up an "EDL racists" banner and trading insults with the EDL across a barrier of police vans.

Detectives are currently trawling through reams of CCTV footage, social media, forensic evidence and intelligence reports relating to the murder, the first fatal Islamist attack in Britain since 2005.

They have yet to interview Adebolajo and Adebawale, who grew up in Nigerian Christian families and converted to Islam in their teens.

They are "in a stable condition and will be formally interviewed when it is possible to do so", Scotland Yard said.

Fresno pilot Jack Wiegand halfway through solo trip around world

MANILA, The Philippines -- AFP photo shows US pilot, Jack Wiegand, 20, from Fresno, California looking down after he arrived at the Manila International Airport in Manila yesterday. Wiegand has embarked on a world record-breaking mission to become the youngest person to fly solo around the world and attempting to break the current Guinness record. Wiegand is scheduled to fly to Kobe, Japan today.



Wiegand departed Fresno Yosemite International Airport on May 3rd and headed east. He plans to make 24 stops, flying approximately 21,000 nautical miles, crossing three oceans and visiting 14 countries for the trip that is expected to take no more than 50 days.

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-- The "Viva la Donna" Foundation is committed to giving a day of pampering to women who have been diagnosed with cancer, regardless of the type or the year in which the diagnosis was made. It was established in 2005 by Corinne de Haas. She experienced firsthand that after successful diagnosis and treatments too often little attention is given to after-care; with the Foundation Viva la Donna she sought to change that situation. The foundation provides that needed aftercare of patients and organizes various projects to help these female survivors and cancer patients to connect with their innate beauty and sparkle again. The annual Viva la Donna Day on May 29 is one of these projects.

On or about May 29, hundreds of beauty salons and wellness centers selflessly open their doors to cancer survivors, offering free treatments and a day of pampering. Treatments may vary from a facial to a yoga classes, a massage or a color and makeup analysis. During this day of pampering, the women with cancer can relax, which helps create a positive feeling and self-esteem. This is the purpose of the Foundation Viva la Donna: to let women affected by cancer

regain their sparkle!

On Aruba, the Mary Joan Foundation, a support program for breast cancer on Aruba, organizes the 'Viva la Donna Day.' It celebrates our courageous women who every day battle against this malignant disease. This year, No less than 47 different establishments pampered and coddled some 158 ladies, making them feel good with themselves beauty salons and spas welcomed them for free treatments, while letting them know that they are not alone, but part of a group of women who are also struggling through this difficult time. This group is also part of a bigger network that will support them through these painful moments.

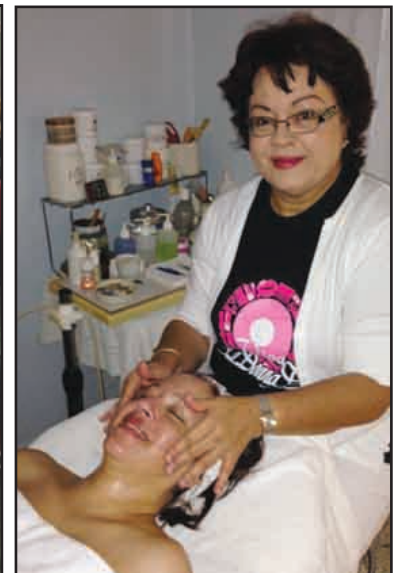
During the celebration, participants and care providers expressed their gratitude to Mary Joan Foundation board member Enrita Werleman, a social worker and the driving force behind the 'Viva La Donna' event. Special thanks also went to board members Merveline and Martina, who contributed heart and soul to making this



event a great success. A special 'thank you' goes also to Sandra Croes and Rupi Rupi, who functioned as 'Fe and Esperanza' the MC's, Edjean Semeleer for his tremendous surprise act, and dance group Delicious who entertained the public free of charge.

And last but not least, a special 'thank you' goes to the Dr. Horacio E. Oduber Hospital and all the beauty centers who contributed to make this day a memorable one.

Photos give an impression of the joyful event.



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-- One of only a handful of 37-year-old, still-working Apple-1 computers sold for a record three-quarters of a million dollars Saturday at an auction in Germany.

The record price was paid by an anonymous bidder. In an interview with the New York Times, Auction Team Breker of Cologne, which sold the Apple-1, said the buyer was a "wealthy entrepreneur from the Far East."

According to the auctioneer's website, the Apple-1's sales price was €420,000, or \$542,000 at current exchange rates. The total, including a 22.3% commission as well as taxes, was \$671,400.

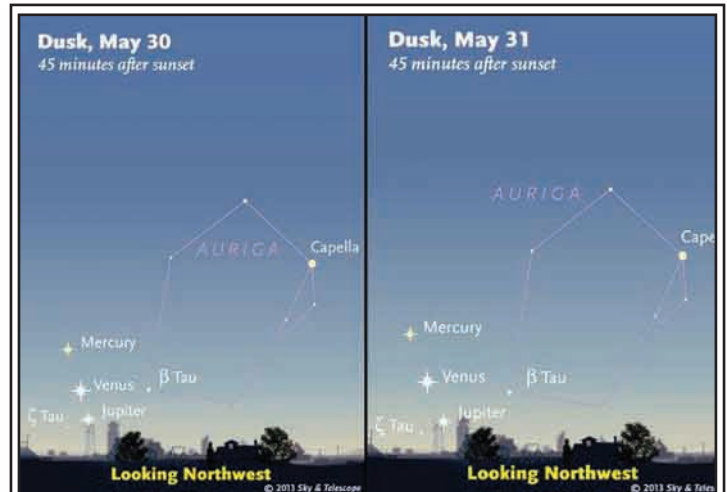
That eclipsed the \$640,000 record for an Apple-1 established last November at an auction also conducted by Breker, and was nearly double the upper estimate of approximately \$390,000 set by the auctioneer earlier this month.

The two Apple-1s sold by Breker in November and on Saturday were in working condition, a rarity for the nearly-four-decade-old computer. Experts believe that there are only six operational Apple-1 computers remaining, and just an estimated 50 or so that have survived in all.

The Apple-1 that sold yesterday, like each of the approximately 200 made, was a simple circuit board hand-built by Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak in 1976.



-- In the mountains of northeastern Mexico, archaeologists have unearthed thousands of ancient paintings on the walls of caves and ravines from a time before Spanish rule. The rock art offers rare evidence from native cultures living in the area around the Sierra de San Carlos, a mountain range in Mexico's state of Tamaulipas, researchers say. Almost 5,000 of these paintings were found across 11 different sites in the region, the researchers said.



Since Sunday, Mercury, Jupiter and Venus appear close together in the sky. This rare 3-Planet sight will shine together in a triangle formation low in the western sky in a planetary meet-up known as a conjunction as is to be seen till the 31st of May. The best time to look for Jupiter, Venus and Mercury together is between 30 and 60 minutes after sunset.

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12. Possessive pronoun
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17. "____ Wanna Do" (2 wds.)
18. Clothes bureau
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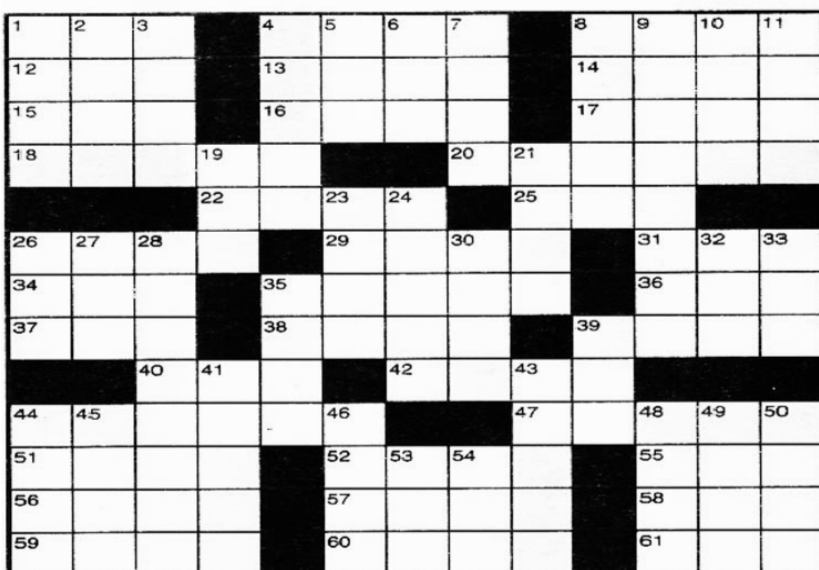
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34. Stimpy's cartoon pal
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36. Actress West
37. Hitherto
38. Actor Neeson
39. Slippery creatures
40. Suffer
42. Irish Breakfast and Earl Grey
44. Weasel's cousin

47. Intersects
51. Frenzy
52. Killer whale
55. Make lace
56. Kitchen hot spot
57. Leaves
58. Chopping instrument
59. Portion (out)
60. Leather punches
61. Used a match

DOWN

1. Bartlett's kin
2. Porcupine-toucher's shout
3. Soft French cheese
4. Italian restaurant

5. Cigar residue
6. Recent (prefix)
7. Yawn
8. Rub against
9. NFL divider
10. Capri, e.g.
11. Singer Collins
19. That woman
21. Egyptian goddess
23. 2002, to Brutus
24. Angry with (2 wds.)
26. Cook chicken
27. Grant's opponent
28. Precisely correct (2 wds.)
30. Checkers, e.g.
32. Kilmer of "The Doors"
33. "Surely!"
35. French girl (abbr.)
39. Opp. of WNW
41. Singer Cara
43. Pile up
44. Starting at
45. Gutter locale
46. Caesar's attire
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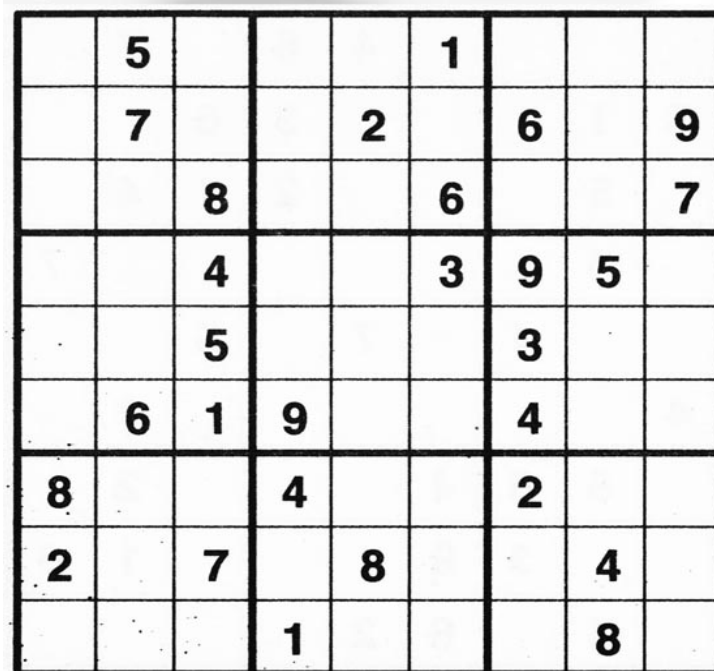
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Finance

Report lauds Africa growth, admonishes abuses by multinationals

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - Africa has favourable medium-term economic prospects although growth rates haven't recovered to pre-crisis levels, according to a report released yesterday that also fingered rising inequality and abusive practices by multinationals.

"With projected growth of 4.8 percent in 2013 and 5.3 percent in 2014, Africa's growth performance would continue to remain below average growth ... preceding the 2009 global recession," the report co-authored by the OECD found.

The continent needs seven percent growth to reduce poverty, while its population increases by two percent a year, according to the 2013 African Economic Outlook.

Africa grew by 6.6 percent last year, mostly thanks to oil-giant Libya's economic recovery from a slump during the unrest that toppled Moammar Kadhafi in 2011.

But poverty isn't falling fast enough, according to the report, which was produced in

collaboration with the African Development Bank (AfDB), Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and UN Development Program (UNDP).

"The pace of poverty reduction in most countries is falling short of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) targets," the report found.

Despite the progress the report also marked "increased income inequalities and in some countries deteriorating levels of health and education."

It encouraged countries to diversify their economies on the back of growth.

"Now is the time to step up the tempo," the authors said.

"More equitable human development requires that African countries accelerate their economic transformation, so they can become more competitive and create more gainful jobs."

The report also emphasised the importance of tax reform, especially fairer tax agreements with multinational companies.

Summary of the monthly bulletin of the Aruba Central Bank shows:

Net foreign asset January 2013 rose

ORANJESTAD -- During the month of January 2013, money supply rose by Afl. 33.0 million to Afl. 3,451.9 million, resulting from an Afl. 34.4 million rise in net foreign assets (excluding revaluation differences of gold and foreign exchange holdings), while net domestic assets contracted by Afl. 1.4 million. The rise in net foreign assets was mainly caused by current account transactions settled through the banking system. These transactions generated an Afl. 33.8 million net inflow of foreign funds, because gross tourism receipts surpassed payments for the import of goods and services, dividends, and current transfers. The decline in the domestic component of the money supply was brought about by an Afl. 22.9 million decrease in non-credit related balance sheet items, which was almost completely offset by an Afl. 21.6 million increase in domestic credit. The latter was largely due to a rise of Afl. 13.4 million in claims on the

private sector, reflecting growth in commercial loans and housing mortgages of, respectively, Afl. 15.8 million (+1.3 percent) and Afl. 2.6 million (+0.3 percent), while consumer credit contracted by Afl. 5.0 million (-0.9 percent). Furthermore, net claims of the banking sector on the public sector grew by Afl. 8.2 million, following an increase in gross claims of Afl. 3.8 million and contractions in government deposits and development funds of, respectively, Afl. 2.2 million and Afl. 2.1 million.

The consumer price index (CPI) for January 2013 registered a 3.5 percent decrease, compared to the same month of 2012. The main contributors to this drop were housing, clothing & footwear, and household operation. Excluding the effect of food and energy (which partly affects the housing and transport components), the core CPI remained unchanged compared to January 2012. The 12-month average inflation rate fell to -0.2 percent in January

2013, down from 0.6 percent in December 2012.

In January 2013, the number of stay-over visitors totaled 75,751, which is 5.7 percent (+4,112 visitors) higher than in January 2012. This growth was mainly caused by increased visitors from Latin America and North America of, respectively, 25.6 percent (+3,356 visitors) and 1.4 percent (+704 visitors). The expansion in the Latin American market was mostly attributed to a rise in arrivals from Venezuela of 31.1 percent (+2,238 visitors). In the North American market, arrivals from the U.S.A. grew by 1.9 percent (+841 visitors), while visitors from Canada fell by 2.6 percent (-137 visitors). The number of cruise visitors surged by 23,625 or 24.9 percent to 118,542 in the month of January 2013, compared to the same month of the previous year. The number of ship calls increased by 14 to 64 in January 2013.

In January 2013, total government revenue amounted to Afl. 87.7 million, an increase of Afl. 1.8 million or 2.1 percent, compared to the same month of the previous year. This increase was largely due to higher non-tax receipts of Afl. 1.7 million. In addition, tax revenue went up slightly by Afl. 0.1 million, reflecting gains in revenue from foreign exchange tax (+Afl. 1.9 million), import duties (+Afl. 1.7 million), land tax (+Afl. 1.6 million), excises on tobacco (+Afl. 1.2 million), beer (+Afl. 1.0 million) and revenue from gambling licenses (+Afl. 1.2 million). These increases were almost entirely offset by lower revenue from profit tax, wage tax and turnover tax (B.B.O.) of, respectively, Afl. 4.9 million, Afl. 2.9 million and 1.1 million.

UAE minister: Oil prices 'convenient and fair'

ABU DHABI (AFP) - Current oil prices are "convenient and fair," the United Arab Emirates' energy minister said yesterday ahead of a meeting of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, OPEC.

Suhail al-Mazrouei described a recent drop in oil prices as a "short-term phenomenon not caused by the fundamentals of the market," in remarks carried by WAM news agency.

"We think that current prices are convenient and fair," said the minister who was appointed in March.

A fair price, he added, was one that "fluctuates within a narrow range, guarantees a return for large investments needed to produce oil, and does not harm global economic growth."

OPEC is to meet this week in Vienna.

The oil cartel boosted pro-

duction to 30.21 million barrels a day in April from 29.93 million in March while maintaining a flat forecast for global demand.

New York's main contract, West Texas Intermediate light sweet crude for delivery in July, dropped 54 cents to \$93.61 a barrel in the afternoon and Brent North Sea crude for July delivery shed 19 cents to \$102.45.

Mazrouei said his oil-rich Gulf state is currently producing 2.8 million barrels per day of crude, and is still working to increase its output capacity to 3.5 million bpd.

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SHANGHAI : AFP photo shows a woman selling umbrellas on a rainy day on a street in Shanghai on May 27, 2013. Manufacturing activity in China contracted in May for the first time in seven months, HSBC said recently in another sign of the weakness of recovery in the world's second-largest economy.



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'Fast and Furious' kicks off frenzied holiday weekend



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Moviegoers raced to see "Fast & Furious 6" as it debuted over the holiday weekend, earning the action sequel a massive \$98.5 million take, industry estimates showed Sunday.

The latest installment in the action-packed film franchise, starring Vin Diesel and Michelle Rodriguez, did earned the top slot at the box office during the Memorial Day holiday weekend, seen as the unofficial start of summer in the United States.

Second place went to the debauched bachelors of "The Hangover Part III," which got a jump on the weekend by opening on Wednesday, and collected an anticipated \$42.4 million from Friday to Sunday, box office tracker Exhibitor Relations said.

Third place went to another sequel, "Star Trek: Into Darkness" which earned \$38 million as it fell from first place last week.

"Epic" a 3-D animated fam-

ily film about a teenage girl who gets miniaturized Thumbelina-size, was fourth with \$34.2 million in tickets sold.

Super-hero blockbuster sequel "Iron Man 3," starring Robert Downey Jr as the title character, took in \$19.4 million for the number five spot, while "The Great Gatsby," Baz Luhrmann's adaptation of the literary classic, was sixth with \$13.7 million.

Seventh place was claimed by "Mud," a coming-of-age story starring Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon, taking in \$1.95 million.

"42" -- a biopic about trail-blazing black baseball star Jackie Robinson -- was eighth, with \$1.25 million in tickets sold.

The ninth spot went to "The Croods," a stone-age cartoon which earned \$1.2 million.

Rounding out the top 10 was "Oblivion," a post-apocalyptic action flick featuring Tom Cruise, which earned \$815,000.

Mandela biopic to be released in November

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - A film based on Nelson Mandela's bestselling autobiography "Long Walk to Freedom" will be released in November, producers said on Monday.

The biopic, entitled "Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom", is to star British actor Idris Elba as the iconic anti-apartheid hero and will trace his life from childhood to imprisonment and presidency in 1994.

Producer Anant Singh said he was pleased when Mandela looked at some of the images of Elba in the trademark Madiba shirt, and remarked, "Is that me?"

The book, an inspiration to many, was published in 1994, and has been translated into several languages. Singh was awarded the film rights in 1996.

The film features a host of local actors and was shot at various locations in the Eastern Cape, Mandela's birthplace, Johannesburg and Cape Town.

Producers say it is the only motion picture that has the endorsement of the Mandela and the Nelson Mandela Foundation, the centre that manages his legacy.

Memorial day - Rolling Thunder 2013



WASHINGTON (AFP): Motorcyclists members of the US military veterans' Rolling Thunder bikers group parade their bikes during Rolling Thunder 2013 in Washington, DC, on Sunday. The 26th Annual Rolling Thunder rumbled into the US capital to show support for veterans and those who have fallen in past and present wars. Some one million riders are expected to gather in Washington DC during the Memorial Day weekend.

5 Burgers Aruba: Now your best breakfast bargain!



Eggs, bacon and Aaron's famous hash brown

--A favorite stop for a great burger for lunch or dinner has just expanded their hours and menu to offer some of the best breakfast bargains to be found in Palm Beach. Owners Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an inter-

nationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy,

made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2 eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$4.49, (\$5.48 with bacon) or All-you-can-eat pancakes, for \$6.99, again, with free refills on fresh coffee. Breakfast is served until 11 a.m. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (almost 12 ounces of choice



Gouda burger 2

beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by

two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open early until 10-ish at night; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district at now extra cost for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

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Concacaf Football - America beat Cruz Azul



MEXICO CITY - (AFP) Christian Benítez (C) of America and teammates celebrate with the Mexican Clausura tournament trophy at Azteca stadium in Mexico City. Ten-man America beat Cruz Azul 4-2 on penalties to win a record-equalling 11th Mexican league title on Sunday, snatching victory from the jaws of defeat after two late goals forced extra time. America equalled arch-rivals Guadalajara with their 11th crown.



RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - The "caxirola", Brazil's percussion answer to South Africa's plastic vuvuzela horn, will be banned at next month's Confederations Cup for security reasons, organizers said Monday. "Fans will not be allowed in stadiums with musical instruments and that includes the caxirola," said Medeiros Hilario, the official on the Cup's Organizing Committee who is in charge of security. The decision followed an April 28 incident during which irate fans hurled dozens of caxirolas on the pitch during a match between Bahia and Vitoria.

Japanese, Spanish climbers missing on Nepal mountain

KATHMANDU (AFP) - Three climbers, including a Japanese woman and a Spanish man, are missing and feared dead on Nepal's rugged Dhaulagiri mountain, tourism officials said Monday.

Chijuko Kono, 67, of Japan, Spain's Juanjo Garra, 50, and a Nepalese guide Dawa Sherpa went missing on Friday as they attempted to climb the world's seventh highest peak, tourism ministry official Dipendra Paudel told AFP.

"They were at Camp Four at 7,800 metres (25,590 feet) (and) I cannot say whether they reached the top," said Paudel.

The trio were part of a larger expedition comprising 21 climbers when they went missing, said Tilak Pandey, another official at the tourism ministry. The remaining climbers are safe, he added.

The 8,167-metre Dhaulagiri has a high death rate for climbers according to Himalayan Database, a statistical hub run by Kathmandu-based mountaineering expert Elizabeth Hawley.

Every May hundreds of climbers attempt to scale peaks in the Himalayas when weather conditions are at their best.

Eight people died on Mount Everest, the world's tallest peak, this season while five climbers are feared dead on Kanchenjunga mountain, which is the world's third highest peak.

More than 300 people have died on Everest since it was first conquered by Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay in 1953.

SPORTS

Spain police find bodies of missing Dutch duo



MADRID (AFP) - Spanish police found two bodies on Monday which they indicated were likely those of former Dutch international volleyball player Ingrid Visser and her partner, who have been missing since the middle of May.

Visser, 35, and her partner Lodewijk Severein, 57, disappeared on May 13 shortly after checking into a hotel in Murcia. Their rental car was found nine days later on a street in the southeastern Spanish city.

Their disappearance sparked intense media interest in the Netherlands and volunteers plastered the streets of Murcia with posters calling for information about the whereabouts of the pair.

Murcia police chief Cirilo Duran told a press conference

that all the "outward signs" suggested that the bodies found belonged to the missing couple, but added that police are still awaiting results from a DNA analysis to confirm the findings.

"What is clear is that it was a violent death," he said.

Duran said three people have been arrested in the case.

Spanish media, citing sources close to the investigation, reported that the bodies were found in a shallow grave near Murcia.

Visser was part of the Netherlands's gold medal-winning team at the European Championship in 1995 and played for a volleyball team in Murcia between 2009 and 2011.

Football: Openly gay Rogers makes unforgettable MLS debut

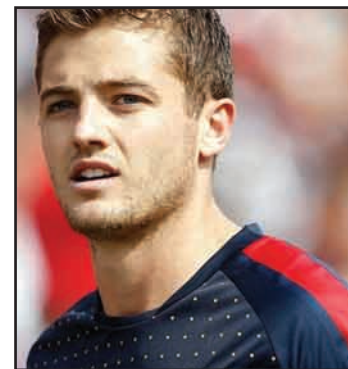
LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Robbie Rogers first tried to play down the historic aspect of becoming the first openly gay man to play in a major North American team sports league, but the Los Angeles Galaxy winger finally gave in.

"I won't ever forget tonight," Rogers tweeted after his substitute's role in a 4-0 home victory Sunday over Seattle.

The 26-year-old American walked onto the pitch and into the history books in the 77th minute to replace Juninho and found everything was "normal" despite admitting he was nervous for hours before the match.

"I guess part of me was just afraid -- not afraid, but a little nervous," Rogers said after the match.

"Historically this is a big thing, but for me, it's just another soccer game... But I'm not naive. I know people are watching."



How spectators responded was something that had been pondered since Rogers, who declared his homosexuality and announced his retirement in February, decided to make a comeback and joined the Galaxy last Friday.

A crowd of 24,811 applauded and loudly cheered Rogers' name as he entered, receiving a hand slap and pat on the back from teammate Landon Donovan.

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NBA: No place like road for Heat in playoffs

INDIANAPOLIS (AFP) -Defending NBA champion Miami, unbeaten away from home in five playoff games this year, approaches Tuesday's critical contest at Indiana looking forward to a hostile atmosphere.

Miami rolled over the host Pacers 114-96 on Sunday to seize a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven Eastern Conference finals. The winner will meet either San Antonio or Memphis in the NBA Finals that begin on June 6.

Asked to explain the Heat's road success, NBA Most Valuable Player LeBron James said he and his teammates simply enjoy a challenge.



Miami Heat's LeBron James controls the ball against Indiana Pacers' Paul George in game 3.

"I just think it's the adversity, the opponents' fans, that we love to come in and try to take a game from a team on their home floor," James said.

Wade said the Heat, who won a league-high 66 games in the regular season, sense there is a reduced margin for error in away games.

The Heat made a narrow escape in game one, needing a James layup at the buzzer to eke out a one-point victory over Indiana, and lost game two, but a victory at Indianapolis would put them on

the brink of returning to the final.

Often it is James who has the hot hand, whether taking the shots or forcing double coverage that leaves a teammate open for a quick pass and a clear shot.

Adapting to what he finds from rivals is the biggest challenge for the four-time NBA Most Valuable Player.

In game three, Miami blistered the Pacers early in what James called the Heat's best offensive half of the post-season.



ARGENTINA (AFP) : World Boxing Council super fly-weight defending champion Omar Narvaez (R) of Argentina punches Felipe Orucuta of Mexico during their title bout at Luna Park stadium in Buenos Aires, Argentina on Sunday. Narvaez won to keep the title

Football: Portuguese Cup



OEIRAS (AFP) : VSC Guimaraes football players raise their trophy as they celebrate their victory at the end of the Portuguese Cup final match SL Benfica vs VSC Guimaraes at the Jamor stadium in Oeiras, outskirts of Lisbon, Portugal yesterday. Guimaraes won 2-1.



KANSAS CITY (AFP) : Yadier Molina #4 of the St. Louis Cardinals celebrates his two-run home run as he runs past George Kottaras #26 of the Kansas City Royals in the first inning during an interleague game at Kauffman Stadium on yesterday. St. Louis Cardinals won 6-3.

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Tennis: Nadal survives scare, Sharapova serves up storm



Rafael Nadal Defeats Daniel Brands to Advance at 2013 French Open

PARIS (AFP) - Rafael Nadal's bid for an historic eighth French Open title was almost spectacularly derailed on Monday by big-hitting German Daniel Brands.

But there were no such problems for defending women's champion Maria Sharapova who eased past Taiwan's Hsieh Su-Wei in just 54 minutes, surrendering only eight points on serve.

Seven-time champion Nadal dropped the opening set of a Grand Slam for the first time in his career before he prevailed 4-6, 7-6 (7/4), 6-4, 6-3 against a player who had lost all four of his previous matches in Paris.

The Spaniard, who before this year had only lost once in 53 outings at Roland Garros, came into the tournament having won six titles in eight finals since he returned from a seventh-month injury lay-off.

But the 26-year-old was caught cold by world number 59 Brands who unleashed a fearless barrage of attacks off both sides to leave the third seed reeling.

It was almost a carbon copy of the tactics employed by

Robin Soderling, the only man to beat Nadal in Paris four years ago, and Lukas Rosol, who dumped the Spaniard out



Defending champion and current world number 2 Maria Sharapova

of Wimbledon last year.

Brands even led 3/0 in the second set tie-breaker as he appeared poised to deliver the first defeat of a men's champion in the opening round in tournament history.

But Nadal eventually found his rhythm to steady the ship as the 25-year-old German eventually ran out of firepower.

Czech fifth seed Tomas

Berdych was the biggest casualty of the day when the 2010 semi-finalist fell to French wildcard Gael Monfils.

Monfils, whose career has been plagued recently by a knee injury, triumphed 7-6 (10/8), 6-4, 6-7 (3/7), 6-7 (4/7), 7-5 in a shade over four hours.

The flamboyant 26-year-old Frenchman, a semi-finalist in 2008, will next tackle in-form Ernests Gulbis.

Sharapova brushed past hapless world number 42 Hsieh, 6-2, 6-1 and will next face Canadian teenager Eugenie Bouchard.

Sharapova, who completed a career Grand Slam in Paris in 2012, fired 25 winners to

Hsieh's eight and kept her unforced errors to just four against 24.

The Russian second seed had her match shifted to Court Suzanne Lenglen while Monfils and Berdych slugged it out on Court Philippe Chatrier.

Sharapova was joined in the next round by three former champions -- Li Na, Svetlana Kuznetsova and Francesca Schiavone.



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